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Art Unit: 1646
Examiner: Dong Jiang

Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/756,690 filed January 9, 2001
Inventors: Orville G. KOLTERMAN *et al.*
Title: Use of Exendins and Agonists Thereof for Modulation of Triglyceride
Levels and Treatment of Dyslipidemia
Atty. Dkt: 18528.451 / 249/124

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (2 months);
2. Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences;
3. Form PTO/SB/33 - Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review
4. Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review; and
5. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the statutory fee of \$950 (\$450 for a two-month extension of time, and \$500 for filing a Notice of Appeal) to counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docketing number 18528.451. A duplicate copy of this page is attached for this purpose.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in the documents accompanying this paper. However, if such extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and

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any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account Number 50-2387, referencing docket number 18528.451. Applicants likewise authorize a charge to Deposit Account Number 50-2387 for any other fees related to the present application that are not otherwise provided for in the accompanying documents.

Sincerely,



Enclosures

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